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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – March 31, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Wednesday, March 31, 2021, DHHS announced 486 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 1.9%. Today's results include 207 people who tested positive by PCR test and 279 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 3,113 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **3/30: 486** new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are eighty-nine individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 49% being female and 51% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (144), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (60), Merrimack (54), Strafford (41), Belknap (22), Grafton (19), Carroll (13), Coos (11), Cheshire (7), and Sullivan (3) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (57) and Nashua (24). The county of residence is being determined for thirty-one new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

DHHS has also announced one additional death related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 male resident of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 77 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 84,176 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated March 31, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	84,176
Recovered	79,825 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,238 (1%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	3,113
Current Hospitalizations	77
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	660,289

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests₂ 38,723

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL 70,431

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL₃ 304

₁Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

₂Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

₃Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

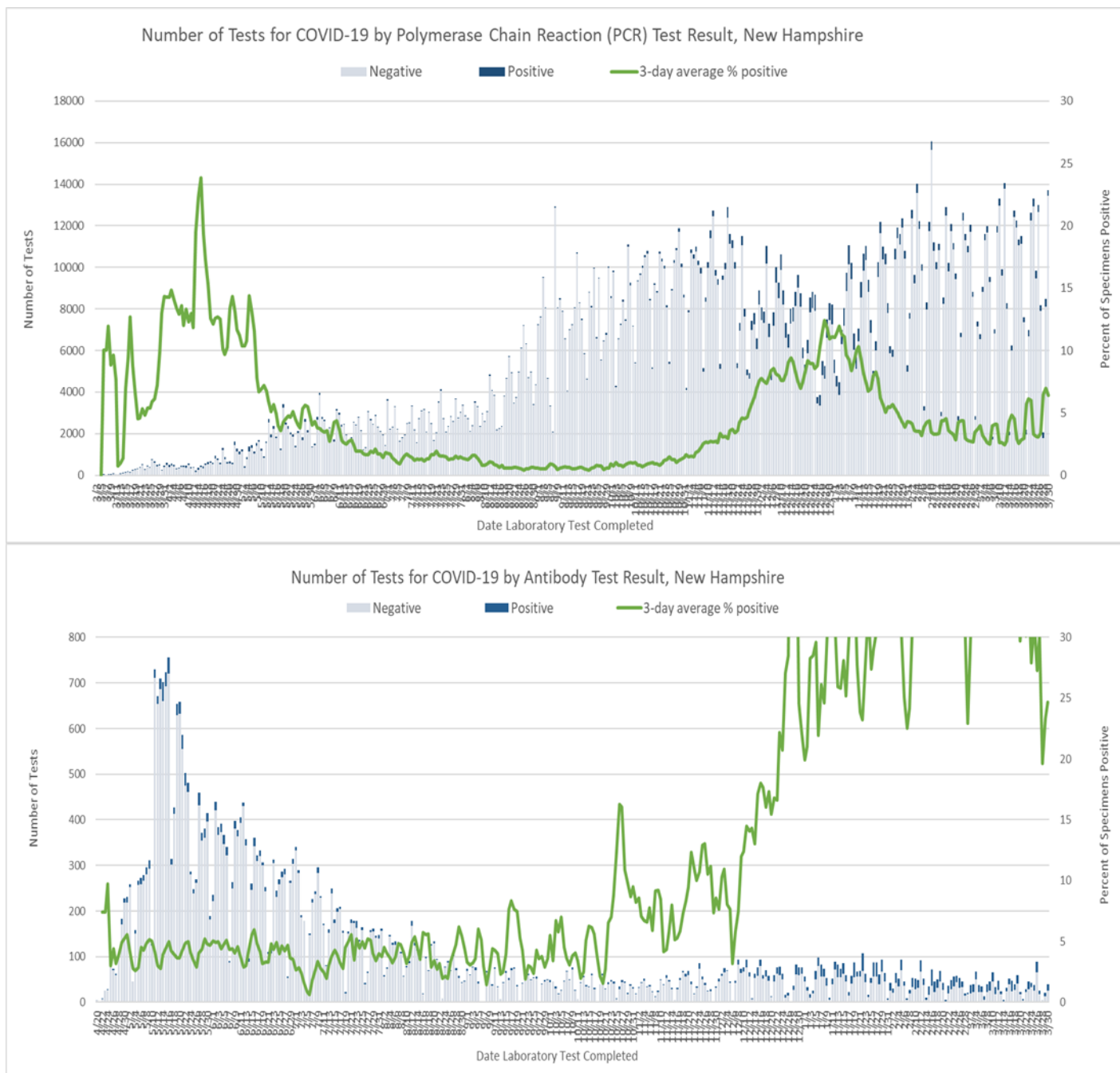
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	3/24	3/25	3/26	3/27	3/28	3/29	3/30	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	426	497	538	263	0	78	311	302
LabCorp	577	451	464	420	330	315	533	441
Quest Diagnostics	554	608	483	548	442	292	362	470
Mako Medical	451	35	23	15	13	8	92	91
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	388	448	246	490	295	163	264	328
NorDX Laboratory	326	297	223	75	38	43	452	208
Broad Institute	5,167	2,399	6,246	3,231	279	2,862	6,390	3,796
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	719	449	516	358	274	468	405	456
Other Laboratory*	802	727	569	319	315	504	274	501
University of New Hampshire**	3,887	3,911	3,691	2,464	61	3,739	4,614	3,195
Total	13,297	9,822	12,999	8,183	2,047	8,472	13,697	9,788
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	3/24	3/25	3/26	3/27	3/28	3/29	3/30	Daily Average
LabCorp	9	15	11	3	1	0	11	7
Quest Diagnostics	15	5	24	12	1	0	13	10
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	4	4	10	0	0	4	6	4
NorDX Laboratory	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	1
Other Laboratory*	7	9	34	7	3	9	0	10
Total	36	35	80	22	5	13	31	32

* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

** Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.nh.gov/covid19>.

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